

24 February 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: "Where's What"

(Sources of Information for Federal Investigators)

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by an ex-CIA Office of Security (OS) employee who retired in 1969. Improper a prepared the book for publication while a CIA employee as the recipient of a Brookings Institution Federal Executive Fellowship during the period 15 March 1965 to 15 March 1966.

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- 2. The book is a comprehensive reference work designed as a guide for the Federal Investigator. According to information contained in various files maintained by the Office of Security, a total of 1,000 copies were printed by the Printing Services Division (PSD) of CIA at the request of the Office of Security. OS records reflected that 400 copies of the book were printed by PSD in May 1967 at a cost of \$5,460. A second printing was made in June 1968 of 600 additional copies at a cost of \$2,730.
- 3. File information reflected that the CIA apparently paid for the printing costs, but the CIA component bearing the cost of printing was not specifically detailed in available file materials. However, it appears that the Office of Security or the USIB Security Committee paid for the printing costs. A memorandum dated 24 May 1968 reflected that the Chairman, USIB Security Committee (Director, OS) stated he would absorb the cost of the second printing of the book (the additional 600 copies).
- 4. The CONFIDENTIAL classification of the book has been the object of much controversy and discussion since the book 25X1A9A was originally printed. It appears that the author, caused the book to be classified CONFIDENTIAL due to promises made to certain sources utilized during the book's compilation. The Office of Security gave the foregoing as the reason for the CONFIDENTIAL classification in letters to local police chiefs in 1968. In other correspondence relative to classification, the term CONFIDENTIAL has been used in the sense of a defense classification under Executive Order 10501.

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- 5. In a memorandum to the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) from the Director of Security dated 27 March 1970, it was stated that the book should not be declassified. LEAA later proposed that a revised, unclassified version be produced and the Brookings Institution advised that they had no objection to an unclassified version. The Office of Security advised what deletions were necessary for a new version of the book to be unclassified.
- 6. After much discussion back and forth between CIA, LEAA, and the Government Printing Office, it was finally decided that no new edition, classified or unclassified, would be published. A number of considerations led to this decision, but a major factor was that LEAA proposed to distribute the book on a wide scale to police departments throughout the country. CIA decided that under such circumstances, it would not be proper to publish law enforcement material for general usage and unclassified purposes.
- 7. The Office of Security handled the distribution of the 1,000 copies of Subject book, and strict accounting for each copy was maintained as it was distributed. The great majority of the books were distributed to various federal agencies, but a number of copies were given to local police agencies. Records reflect that five copies each were given to the Arlington County Police and the Fairfax County Police; two copies to the Maryland State Police; and a total of thirty-two copies to the D. C. Metropolitan Police Department.
- 8. Copies of appropriate documents pertinent to the information contained herein are attached to this memorandum as exhibits.